Decision Support Briefing Southeast River Forecast Center



Decision Support BriefingTropical Depression Ida



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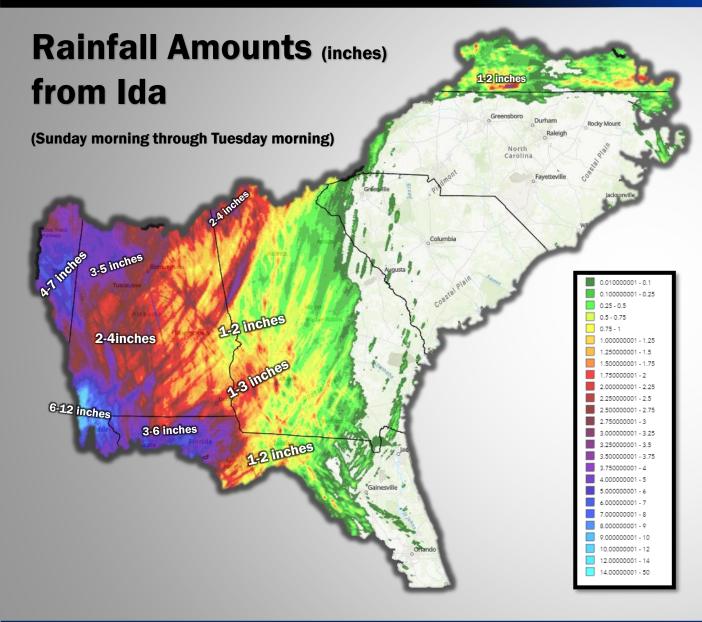




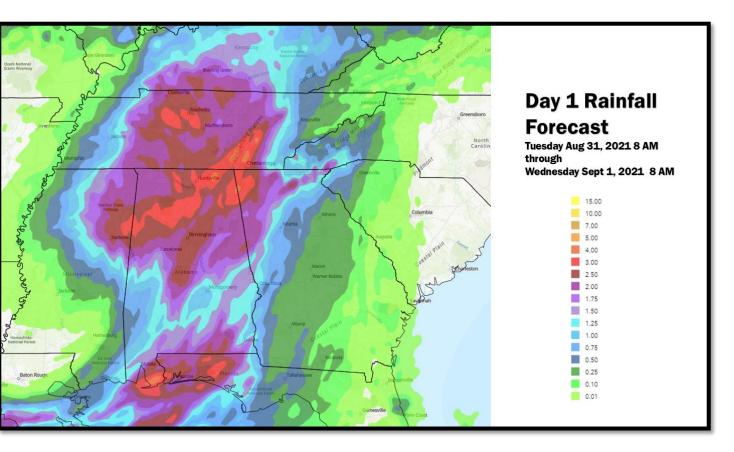
Though Ida has been downgraded to a tropical depression, heavy rainfall remains a threat with the storm system.

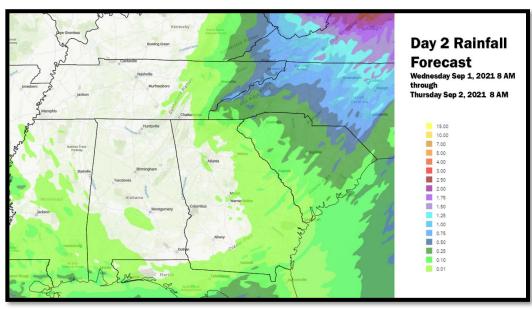
Spiral bands, shown in the image, will continue to swing across the Southeast into the evening and overnight hours.

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Past rainfall has been heavy in many areas. Here is the rainfall accumulation since Sunday morning.



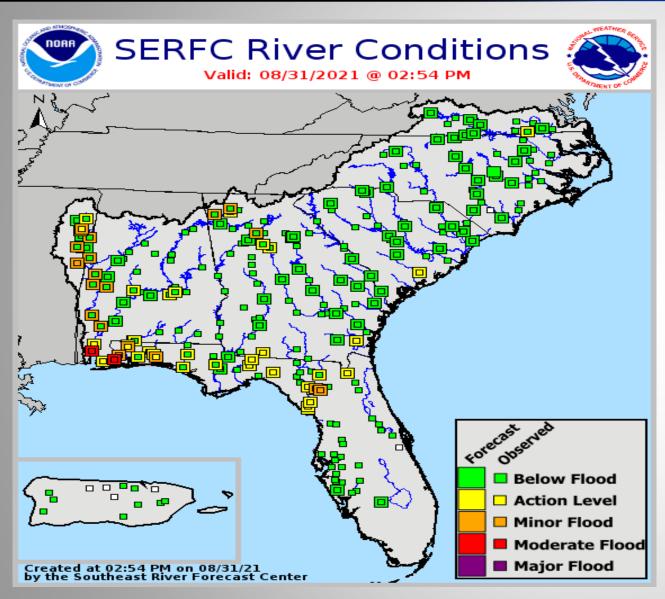


As Ida moves off to the northeast, several inches of rainfall still could be expected across parts of the Southeast. By Wednesday morning, most of the rain will have exited the region and drier weather is expected through the weekend.

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Overall, river flooding will be confined to parts of Mississippi, Alabama, north Georgia and the western Florida panhandle with rainfall from Ida.

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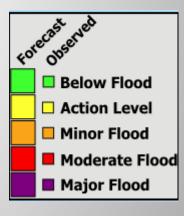
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Scattered minor flooding is either occurring or expected within the Tombigbee river basin.



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Moderate flooding is occurring on the Styx river in southern Alabama as well as Bayou Sara at Saraland, Alabama.

Minor river flooding is occurring or expected across many small coastal rivers in south Alabama as well as the western Florida Panhandle.

Minor river flooding on the lower Tombigbee river is expected next week as water routes downstream.



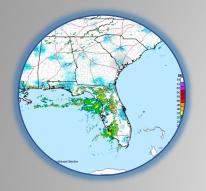
- Ida is now a tropical depression, though, is still producing locally heavy rainfall.
- Overall, river flooding will be confined to parts of Mississippi,
 Alabama, north Georgia and the western Florida panhandle with rainfall from Ida.
- Though some small streams and creeks may reach bank full in the headwaters of the Carolina's river basins, river flooding is not expected.

- SERFC is currently on 24-hour operations until further notice due to Ida.
- This is likely the last briefing for this event.

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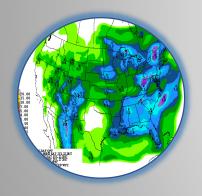




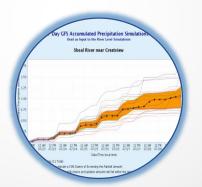
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